

banks and mortgage lenders. During his tenure at the Fed, his strong calls for regulation were often met with resistance from a system that favors industry self-regulation. Given today's mortgage and credit crises, we cannot help but wonder "what if" with respect to many of those decisions. In any event, as Congress and the States seek ways to grapple with the current situation, Dr. Gramlich's work on consumer protection issues and his insightful analyses will undoubtedly have significant influence.

Dr. Gramlich is mourned by many in Michigan and across the country, including his wife Ruth; his children, Sarah Howard and Robert; his parents, J. Edward and Harriet; as well as many other family members, friends, and colleagues. Dr. Gramlich made an extraordinary impact throughout his life, and I hope that those mourning this loss find comfort in the significant legacy he leaves behind.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting a nomination and a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 5:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1199. An act to attend the grant program for drug-endangered children.

H.R. 1389. An act to establish the Star-Spangled Banner and War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1520. An act to establish the Champlain Quadricentennial Commemoration Commission, the Hudson-Fulton 400th Commemoration Commission, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1664. An act to authorize grants for contributions toward the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library.

H.R. 3375. An act to extend the trade adjustment assistance program under the Trade Act of 1974 for 3 months.

H.R. 3540. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 140. Concurrent resolution recognizing the low presence of minorities in

the financial services industry and minorities and women in upper level positions of management, and expressing the sense of the Congress that active measures should be taken to increase the demographic diversity of the financial services industry.

H. Con. Res. 186. Concurrent resolution honoring the 75th anniversary of Brookgreen Gardens in Murrells Inlet, South Carolina.

H. Con. Res. 193. Concurrent resolution recognizing all hunters across the United States for their continued commitment to safety.

H. Con. Res. 217. Concurrent resolution to correct technical errors in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 3580.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1983. An act to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to renew and amend the provisions for the enhanced review of covered pesticide products, to authorize fees for certain pesticide products, to extend and improve the collection of maintenance fees, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1199. An act to extend the grant program for drug-endangered children; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1389. An act to establish the Star-Spangled Banner and War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1664. An act to authorize grants for contributions toward the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 140. Concurrent resolution recognizing the low presence of minorities in the financial services industry and minorities and women in upper level positions of management, and expressing the sense of the Congress that active measures should be taken to increase the demographic diversity of the financial services industry; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H. Con. Res. 186. Concurrent resolution honoring the 75th anniversary of Brookgreen Gardens in Murrells Inlet, South Carolina; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H. Con. Res. 193. Concurrent resolution recognizing all hunters across the United States for their continued commitment to safety; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 1520. An act to establish the Champlain Quadricentennial Commemoration Commission, the Hudson-Fulton 400th Commemoration Commission, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with

accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3386. A communication from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving exports to Turkey including seven Boeing 737-800 passenger aircraft; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3387. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mississippi Regulatory Program" (Docket No. MS-021-FOR) received on September 24, 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3388. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alachlor; Pesticide Tolerance" ((FRL No. 8147-2)(Docket No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0146)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3389. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Ohio" ((FRL No. 8470-7)(Docket No. EPA-R05-OAR-2006-0544)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3390. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Louisiana; Clean Air Interstate Rule Nitrogen Oxides Trading Programs" ((FRL No. 8473-5)(Docket No. EPA-R06-OAR-2007-0651)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3391. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri" ((FRL No. 8471-9)(Docket No. EPA-R07-OAR-2007-0926)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3392. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Arkansas; Clean Air Interstate Rule Nitrogen Oxides Ozone Season Trading Program" ((FRL No. 8473-3)(Docket No. EPA-R06-OAR-2007-0886)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3393. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Award of United States-Mexico Border Program and Alaska Rural and Native Villages Program Grants Authorized by the Revised Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2007" ((FRL No. 8472-1) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3394. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Methamidophos, Oxydemeton-methyl, Profenofos, and Trichlorfon; Tolerance Actions" ((FRL No. 8147-6) (Docket No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0261)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3395. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyraclostrobin; Pesticide Tolerance" ((FRL No. 8148-6) (Docket No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0522)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3396. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sulfosulfuron; Pesticide Tolerance" ((FRL No. 8147-4) (Docket No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0206)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3397. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments to Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Correction of Effective Date Under Congressional Review Act" ((FRL No. 8473-1) (Docket No. EPA-R03-OAR-2007-0174)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3398. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tepaloxymid; Pesticide Tolerance" ((FRL No. 8148-1) (Docket No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0145)) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3399. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Expanded Definition of Byproduct Material" (RIN3150-AH84) received on September 24, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3400. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological Material from Mali" (RIN1505-AB86) received on September 20, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3401. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological Material from Guatemala" (RIN1505-AB87) received on September 21, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3402. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Child Care and Development Fund; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3403. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch,

Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates—October 2007" (Rev. Rul. 2007-63) received on September 20, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3404. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Closing of Determination Letter Program for Adopters of Pre-Approved Defined Contribution Plans" (Announcement 2007-90) received on September 20, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3405. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fringe Benefits Aircraft Valuation Formula" (Rev. Rul. 2007-55) received on September 20, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3406. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hotel Industry Overview Guide" (LMSB-04-0807-054) received on September 24, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3407. A communication from the Chairman, Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Annual Report for fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3408. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "The Mentoring Children of Prisoners Program"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3409. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2007 to 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3410. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Report on the Necessity and Desirability of Amending the Federal Rules of Evidence to Codify a 'Harm to Child' Exception to the Marital Privileges"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-229. A resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Armstrong, Pennsylvania, urging Congress to allow federal financial participation for medical benefits to incarcerated individuals until convicted and sentenced; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-230. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of New Hampshire urging Congress to fully fund the federal government's share of special education services in public schools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas, since its enactment in 1975, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) has helped millions of children with special needs to receive a quality education and to develop to their full capacities; and

Whereas, IDEA has moved children with disabilities out of institutions and into public school classrooms with their peers; and

Whereas, IDEA has helped break down stereotypes and ignorance about people with disabilities, improving the quality of life and economic opportunity for millions of Americans; and

Whereas, when the federal government enacted IDEA, it promised to fund up to 40 percent of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States; and

Whereas, the federal government currently funds, on average, less than 17 percent of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States; and

Whereas, local school districts and state government end up bearing the largest share of the cost of special education services; and

Whereas, the federal government's failure to adequately fulfill its responsibility to special needs children undermines public support for special education and creates hardship for disabled children and their families; and

Whereas, the general court is currently challenged with the responsibility of defining and funding an adequate education for all children in this state; and

Whereas, these legislative efforts are significantly burdened and constrained by the costs incurred by the federal government's failure to meet its full financial promise under IDEA: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That the New Hampshire general court urges the President and the Congress, prior to spending any surplus in the federal budget, to fund 40 percent of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States as promised under IDEA to ensure that all children, regardless of disability, receive a quality education and are treated with the dignity and respect they deserve; and

That copies of this resolution be forwarded by the senate clerk to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, and the members of the New Hampshire congressional delegation.

POM-231. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Texas urging Congress to restore full funding to the Community Oriented Policing Services program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 125

Whereas, in 1994, the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act created the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program and for more than a decade the COPS initiative has awarded more than \$11 billion to over 13,000 agencies across the country; in the last six years, however, the COPS program has suffered numerous cuts in funding, threatening to reverse the improvements in law enforcement credited to the program at a time when national security is a concern at all levels of government; and

Whereas, the recently filed Prosperous and Secure Neighbor Alliance Act of 2007 would allocate \$170 million to the United Mexican States to professionalize the Mexican police force for patrols along the U.S.-Mexico border, sending a significant portion of the limited federal aid available to Mexico, further jeopardizing the efforts of state and local law enforcement agencies that depend on continued funding through the COPS program; and

Whereas, among the initiatives established under the COPS program is the universal hiring program that resulted in the hiring or redeployment of more than 118,000 law enforcement officers in over 12,000 enforcement agencies nationwide and training initiatives